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A GRAVEYARD SCAVENGER.

Candidate Humphrey Beats His Own Villainous Record.

One of the most disgraceful things that has occurred this campaign is laid at the door of Governor Humphrey. It was a scandalous collection of lies published in an Arkansas City campaign paper, attempting to show that T. J. Hudson had so far neglected the grave of his wife that the lot on which it was located was being used as a feed lot for stock. The outrageous lie was put in the hands of the notorious Greer gang at Winfield, and was exaggerated upon to the extent of several columns of matter in the paper. Knowing that no credence could be given the story if its authors were known, it was palmed off on a paper in another town.

Everything goes to show that Gov. Humphrey was intimately connected with this vile piece of business, as the following from the *Fredonia Herald* indicates: "There is no longer any doubt whatever but that Humphrey is the graveyard scavenger. It has been said by some of his supporters that he knew nothing whatever about the matter, and that he did not advise the dastardly cowardly outrage. But all such excuses can no longer be used, for last week Rev. Barney Kelley, in speaking with a friend in regard to Humphrey's diabolical conduct, said that he advised him (Humphrey) long ago to have nothing to do with the graveyard matter."

A. Siseman, an old soldier of Erie, Kansas, writes a long statement denouncing the slanderers, from which the following is taken:

"I see by an Arkansas City paper that an outrageous assault has been made on T. J. Hudson on account of alleged negligence of his first wife's grave, and I am also informed that Gov. Humphrey and his supporters are slyly telling Jeff Hudson ran away from Indiana, from the draft, and was a rebel.

During the war Hudson was a union boy, and never left Indiana until after the draft was all over, and Dr. Orver, of Gov. Humphrey's own town (Independence), also a republican, knows that Hudson was for the union and volunteered once, but was not accepted. Hudson has to my knowledge aided many soldiers in getting a pension and back pay, and I never heard of his charging one for it. On account of Humphrey's attack on Hudson and his present wife, I propose to do all I can to beat him. I will not support any republican as Gov. Humphrey has shown himself to be in this matter. The governor makes a false statement when he said that the old cemetery was used as a hog lot, and he makes another false statement when

he says the other graves were opened and the remains removed. They are all there but Mrs. Hudson's."

Think Seriously.

Suppose that a representative in congress or the state legislature, whom you had helped to elect, should vote for a measure that was directly against the interests of you and the majority of his constituents; and suppose then that you should take him to task about it, and he should say, "Well, I didn't want to throw my vote away, so I voted with the side I thought would be in the majority," how much respect could you have for such a man? Wouldn't you politely inform him that the best thing he could do would be to resign? You, as a voter, are the representative of your family and a great many other people, and it is your duty to look to their interests as well as your own. It is your duty to vote for what you think is right, no matter what are the prospects as to the result. Yet every day you are told by some tricky politician that to vote for Weaver electors is to throw away your vote. If you listen to such nonsense as that, you had better resign, and let your wife do the voting. And if you want to commit an act of which you will be ashamed in your old age, vote for Harrison. By all means think seriously before casting your vote this year.

What Hon. P. P. Elder Thinks of Our Criticism of Mr. Mulvane's Crop Statistics.

To the Editor of THE ADVOCATE.

While I am taking no part in this campaign, yet I have a lively interest in the result. All our candidates on the state ticket are clean, respectable and popular men. From your statements regarding the majority of the republican candidates one would suppose the republican party had attempted to commit political suicide.

Allow me to say that I have read your criticism and comments on Mr. Mulvane's compilation of figures and facts on the products of the Kansas farmer, their profits and income, and must say that it is the most complete answer I have ever read on any document intended for a republican campaign. It is replete with statements beyond dispute or successful attack, and should be read by every voter. The *Advocate* also had a good article on Botkin and his successor. If the voters of Kansas would all read the *Advocate* with thoughtful care, the People's ticket would be elected by 50,000 majority. Hastily,

P. P. ELDER.

"Majah" Hudson has partially recovered from the jar he received in Stevens' opera house, Garden City, but he is still at large. He makes out to steer clear of S. M. Scott, however.

JOHNSON COUNTY IN LINE.

Populists Versus Eggs and Tomatoes at Olathe.

To the Editor of THE ADVOCATE.

The People's party and democrats held the largest political demonstration here yesterday ever known in the history of Johnson county. The procession was nearly five miles long, and the best judges estimated the crowd at 10,000 people. Col. Harris completely captivated our people. M. W. Wilkins delivered a powerful address. At night Col. H. L. Moore and Hon. John C. Sheridan, of Paola, spoke in the opera house, where even standing room was at a premium. Col. Moore made many friends.

Several eggs and rotten tomatoes were thrown into the procession and band during the night parade. Prominent republicans furnished whisky with the object of getting People's party men and democrats intoxicated in order that the numerous deputy marshals appointed by the republican mayor might arrest them and thereby place the meeting in disrepute.

An organized mob of republicans tried to annoy the proceedings by blowing tin horns in people's faces, yelling, whooping, hollowing, expecting thereby to create a row in order that arrests might follow, and thus bring disgrace on the occasion, but it did not work. Fortunately this band of hoodlums met the wrong man when they blew their tin horns in the face of a People's party man who, when they failed to heed his warning to keep away, knocked the ringleader down, after which order was restored. Their leader is a very prominent republican, having several times been chosen secretary of their county conventions, and it is to be hoped that the black eye he now wears will teach him not to monkey with the buzz-saw, as well as to serve as a warning to others who are aspiring to a little notoriety.

Several converts to the People's cause have already been announced, due to some extent to the disgraceful conduct of the republicans not being even willing for the rally to be held without abuse, insult and annoyance from over-zealous members of their party.

A few wandering republicans are seen on the streets this morning wearing an anxious look, which seems to say, "Where am I at?"

Olathe, Kas., October 27.

The Situation.

To the Editor of THE ADVOCATE.

The aggressive warfare that is now going on all over this country between capital and labor, and which has but recently caused consternation, bloodshed, death, and loss of property, has not only pervaded the entire ranks of labor, but has caused a feeling of alarm and unrest

throughout the nation. The pulpit, press and people are all in a feverish state of excitement, and all, including the political parties, are offering opinions on the situation, and giving solutions to the vexatious problems as varied and complex as the problem itself. And while most of our best thinkers acknowledge that under existing conditions the conflict is unequal, yet they admit that the balance of sympathy is on the side of labor, and the balance of power has been transferred to the side of capital. Thus it is that in the triumphant closing of the nineteenth and greatest century, crowned with the glory of the most marvelous achievements of any age, under the flag of freedom and the blessings of liberty and independence, we find these two great forces engaged in the most bitter and relentless strife. So great has this question become that it reaches in its ramifications through all the phases of our social and political bodies, and threatens to revolutionize the whole system of our government. Capital, its power, its uses and abuses; labor, its rights, and the relation that exists between them, are now the questions of the hour. Their equal interests and yet their antagonism, and how to reconcile them to peaceful and harmonious action, are objects which should engage the earnest, careful and impartial consideration of every thoughtful person in the country. Originally these two forces were so closely related and so nearly equal as to belong to one family, and any separation was as impracticable as it was impossible; but unfortunately, and from a combination of causes, an estrangement has arisen between them which, though it has not nor cannot separate them, has caused turmoil, dissension and antagonism, with a conflict and clash of interests. But while equal rights are desirable and just, so far as consistent, capital demands special privileges which it will not concede to labor; hence the warfare. Under the genial warmth of favorable legislation, capital has entirely outrun her sister, labor, in the race, and now that she has grown opulent, she has become obstreperous and avaricious, grasping for more power, while labor struggles for existence. The spirit of rebellion against usurpation of labor's just deserts has caused the formation of a new party, because neither of the old parties, under whose regime and favor these conditions have been fostered, seems inclined to attempt reversion or even amelioration of the unjust conditions. The people are arraying themselves on the side of the new party, because they hope for relief and anticipate reform through its agency. There seems no other alternative; and while the new party may make mistakes, and disappointment in some directions ensue, the new departure, by virtue of its honest purposes, will eventually lead on to the establishment of a government equitable and just to its subjects.

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